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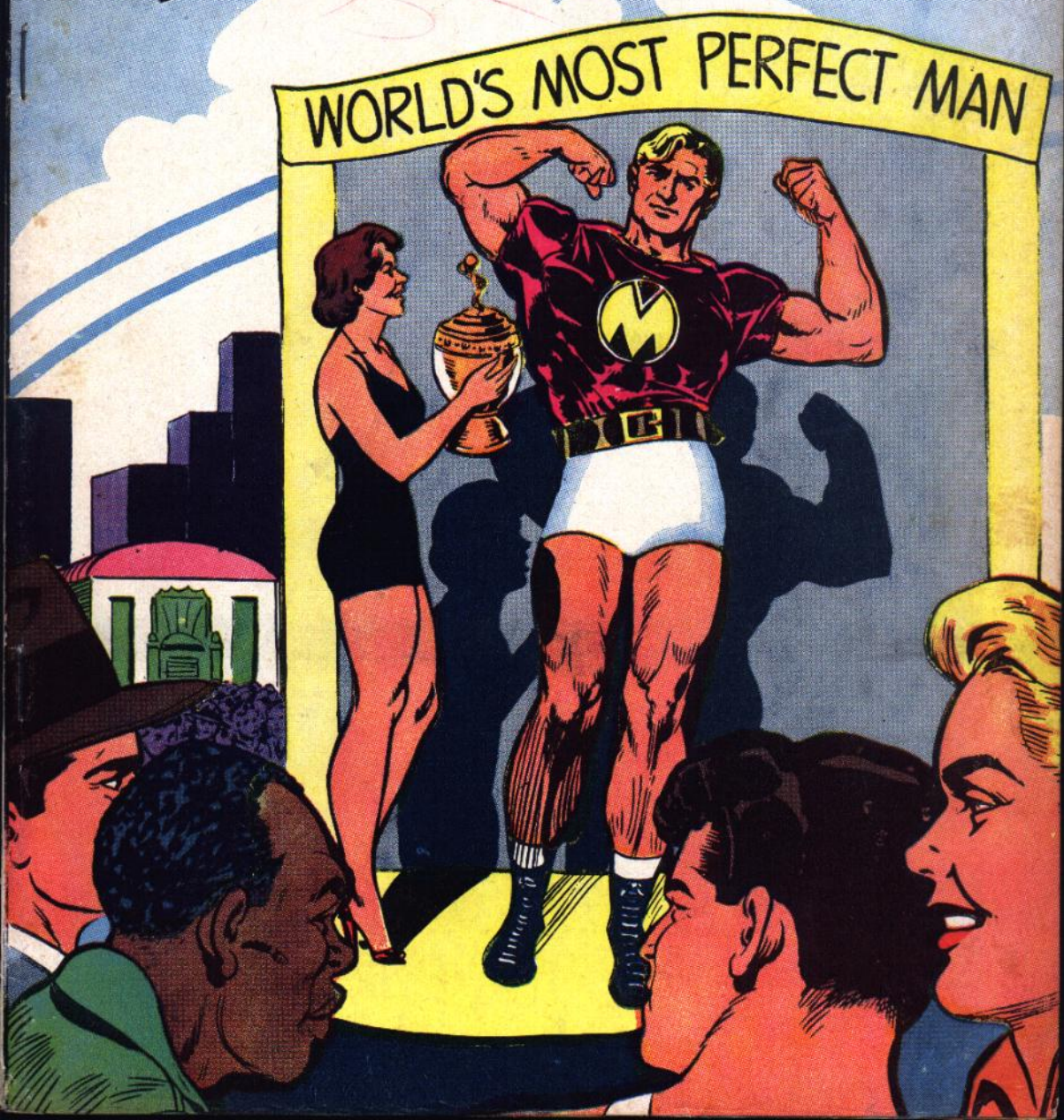
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WORLD'S MOST PERFECT MAN





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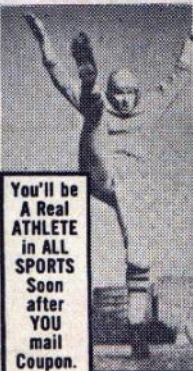
I won **NEW STRENGTH** for money-making work! for **WINNING** at all **SPORTS!**

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He Mailed Coupon

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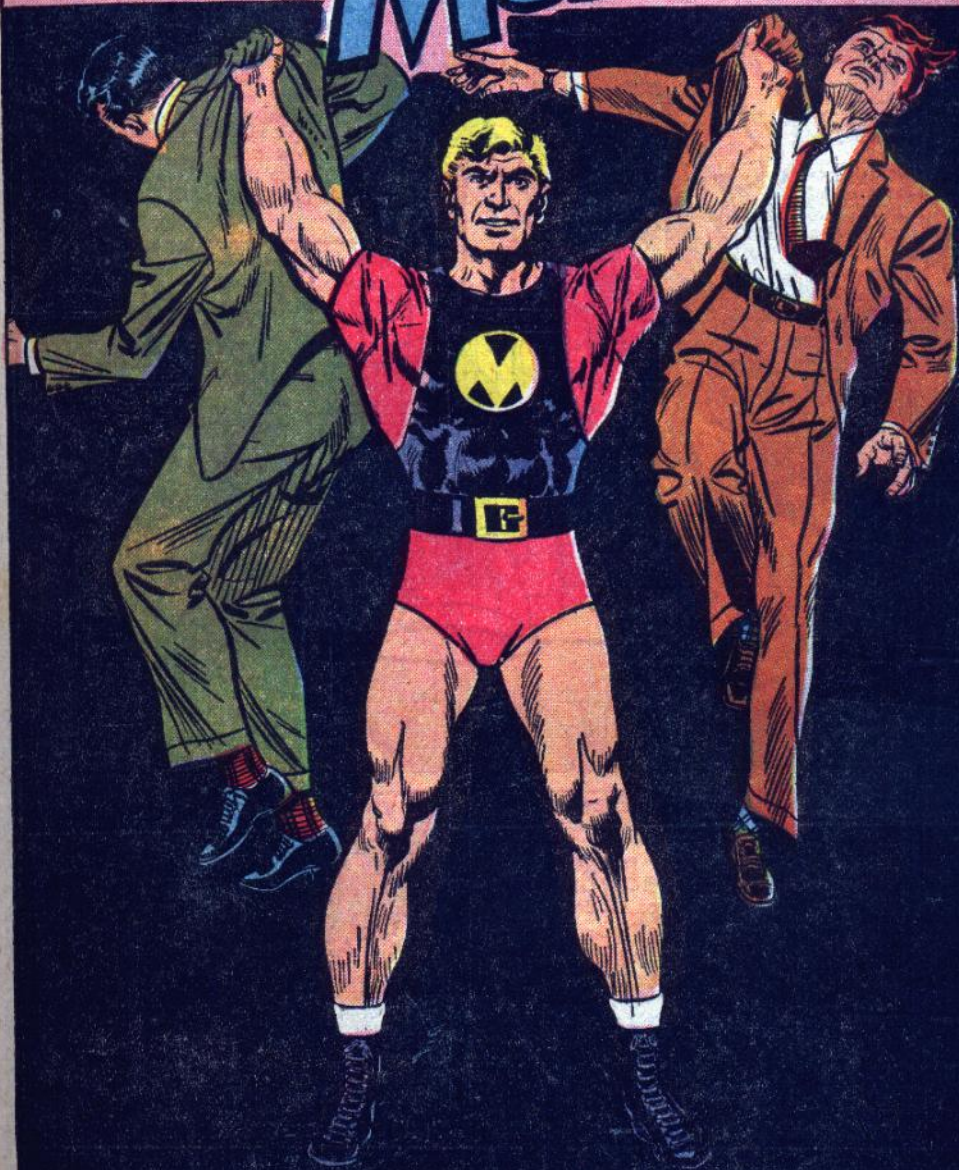
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VITAL.....
POWERFUL..

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in
"MAN VS. BEAST!"

AT THE REQUEST OF THE CITY CIVIC ASSOCIATION, **BRETT CARSON**, BETTER KNOWN AS **MR. MUSCLES**, DEMONSTRATES SOME OF THE ASTOUNDING FEATS OF PHYSICAL STRENGTH THAT HAVE MADE HIM WORLD-FAMOUS!..

HE'S AN APOLLO

YOW! LOOK AT THOSE RIPPLING MUSCLES!

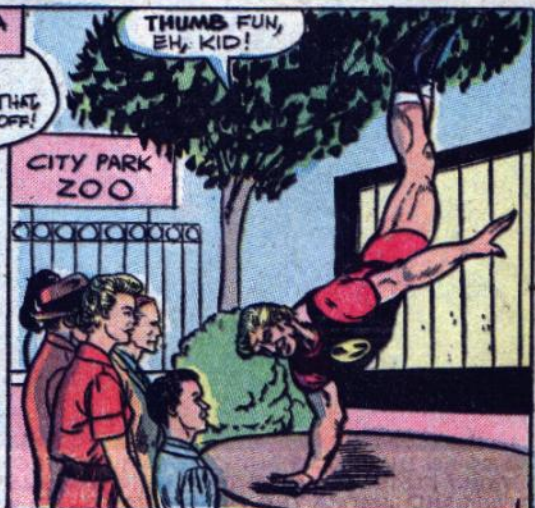
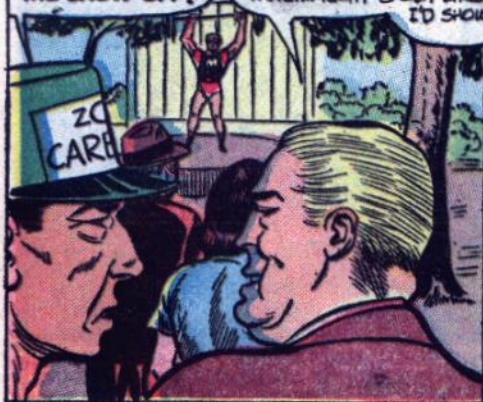


BUT AMONG THE MILLING SPECTATORS IS A GNARLED, BENT MAN WHOSE DEEP-SET EYES GLINT WITH BITTER HATE AND ENVY!

THE SHOW-OFF!

IF I HAD A MAGNIFICENT BODY LIKE THAT, I'D SHOW OFF!

THUMB FUN, EH, KID!

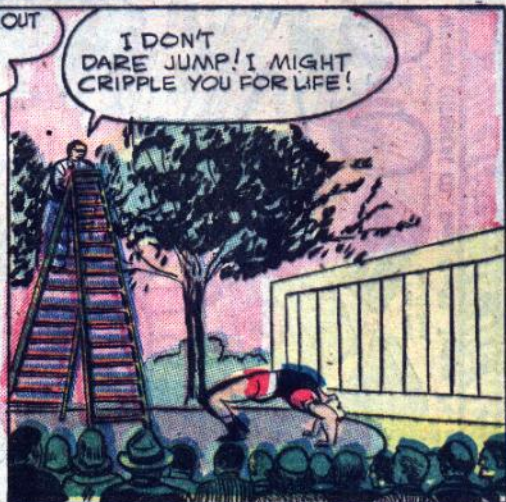


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79-80-81! AND MANY MORE TO GO!

81 KNEE-BENDS, WITHOUT A PAUSE! THE MAN'S MADE OF IRON!

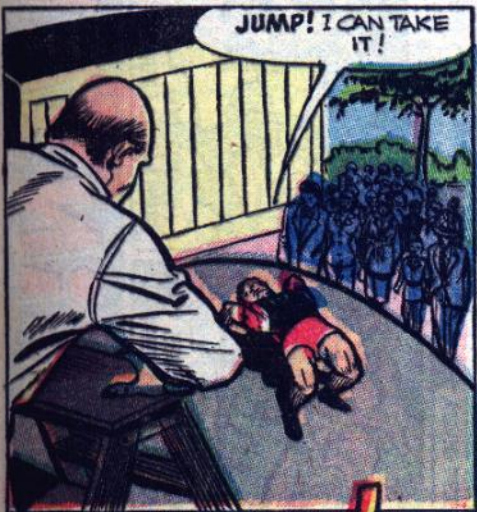
I DON'T DARE JUMP! I MIGHT CRIPPLE YOU FOR LIFE!



JUMP! I CAN TAKE IT!

BUT AS THE CHUBBY CHAP STRIKES THE MIGHTY MAN'S MIDRIF.. **MR. MUSCLES** SHARPLY FLEXES HIS STOMACH MUSCLES.. AND...

AND AWAAAAY YOU GO!



HE J-JUMPED! HE'S STREAKING DOWN TOWARD MR. MUSCLES' STOMACH! GET AN AMBULANCE



DAVY TO THE RESCUE!



GIVEN! BOYS! GIRLS! LADIES! MEN!

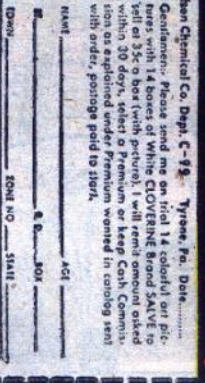
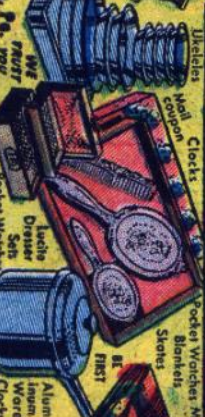
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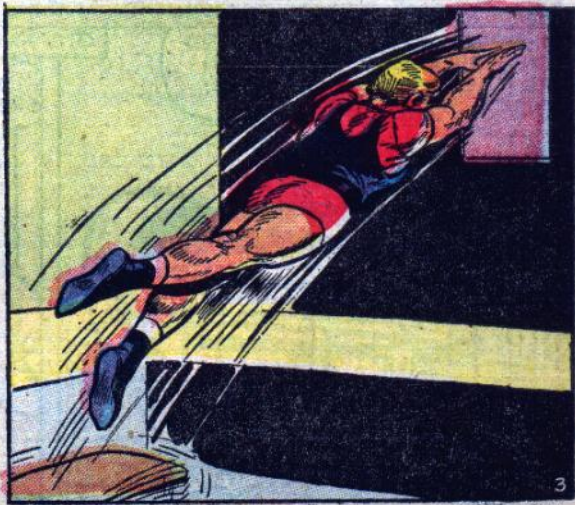
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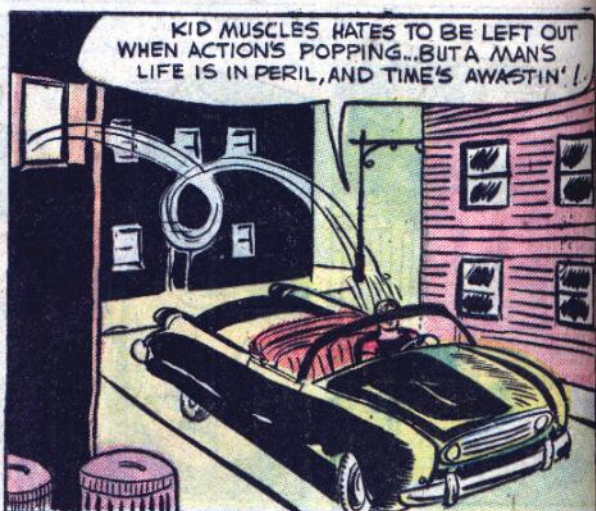
THAT EVENING.. AS THE WORLD'S MIGHTIEST PHYSICAL CULTURIST INSTRUCTS HIS PUPILS..



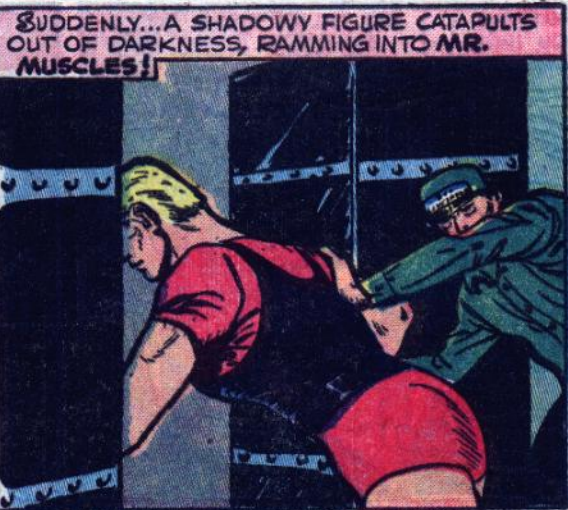
CITY PARK ZOO ..THEY'RE CLOSING IN.. I'M CORNERED! HELP! ARR-GHH..



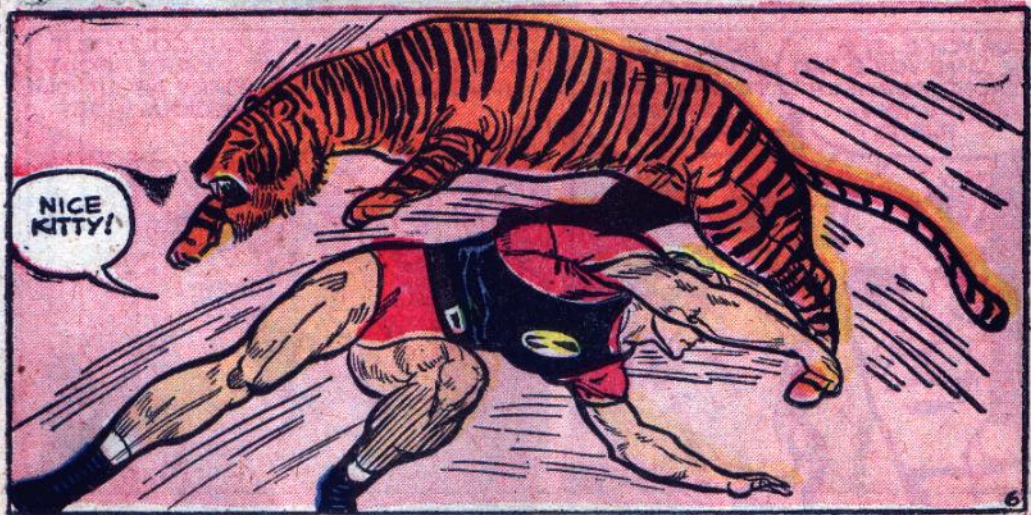
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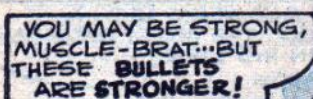
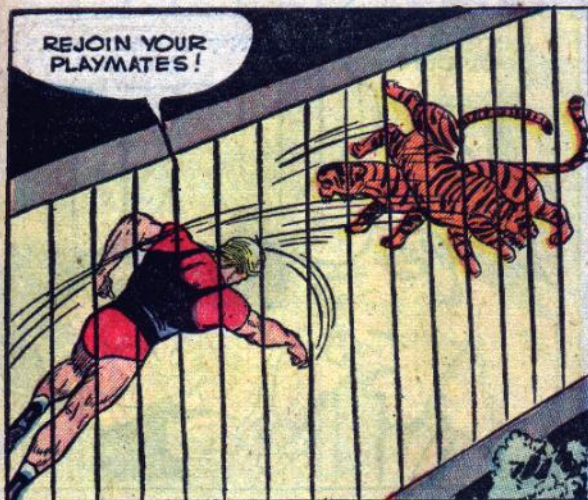
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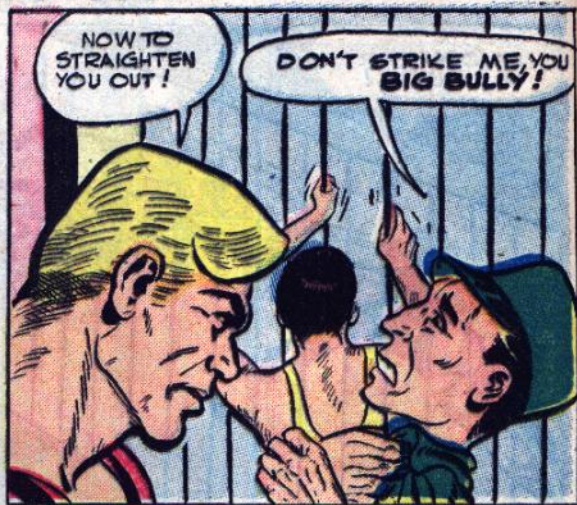
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SEIZING THE CAGE'S METAL BARS, MR. MUSCLES STRAINS AND TUGS, AS HIS BICEPS FLEX MIGHTILY...



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"DESPITE HEART-BREAKING DISCOURAGEMENT, THE PATIENT KEPT TRYING..UNTIL ONE DAY.."

THE FINGERS..THEY MOVED!



GREAT PROGRESS! I WILL! I WILL!! BUT YOU WILL NEVER SIT UP!



"AND ONE DAY, HE DID..."

NURSE! NURSE!!

HE'S SITTING UP!!!



THEY TOLD HIM HE WOULD NEVER WALK AGAIN! HE PROVED THEM WRONG!

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT!

I'M NORMAL AGAIN! THE PARALYSIS..IS GONE!



YOU'RE THE LUCKIEST MAN ON EARTH! TAKE IT EASY, NOW! YOU DESERVE A REST!

I'VE LEARNED A LESSON IN THE DAYS OF MY BITTER TRIAL, DOC! I'VE LEARNED NEVER TO ACCEPT DISCOURAGEMENT.. NEVER TO LOSE FAITH!



HALF-HEARTED LIVING IS OVER FOR ME! I'M GOING TO DEVELOP MY BODY AND MIND UNTIL I ACHIEVE ABSOLUTE PERFECTION! NOTHING LESS WILL SATISFY ME!



I LICKED POLIO! AND, THROUGH PROPER EXERCISES, I LICKED BODILY WEAKNESS! YOU CAN ACCOMPLISH THE SAME!

YOU..WITH YOUR MARVELOUS PHYSIQUE..WERE ONCE A WEAKLING?



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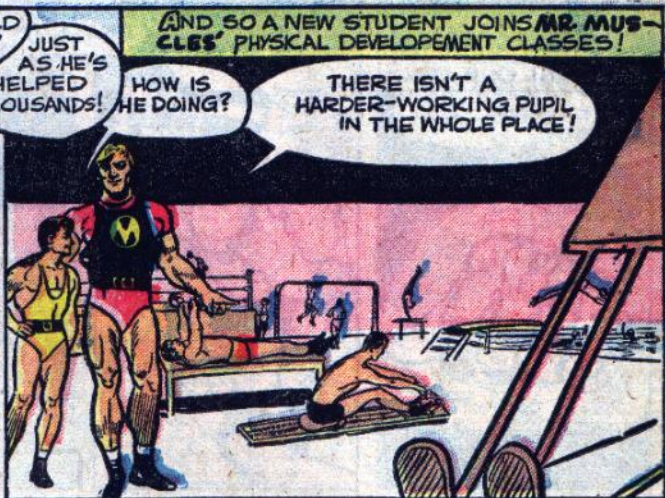
WHICH DO YOU CHOOSE?.. JAIL... OR WILL YOU PUT YOURSELF IN MY HANDS, SO I CAN MAKE A MAN OF YOU?

YOU WOULD HELP ME?

JUST AS HE'S HELPED THOUSANDS!

HOW IS HE DOING?

THERE ISN'T A HARDER-WORKING PUPIL IN THE WHOLE PLACE!

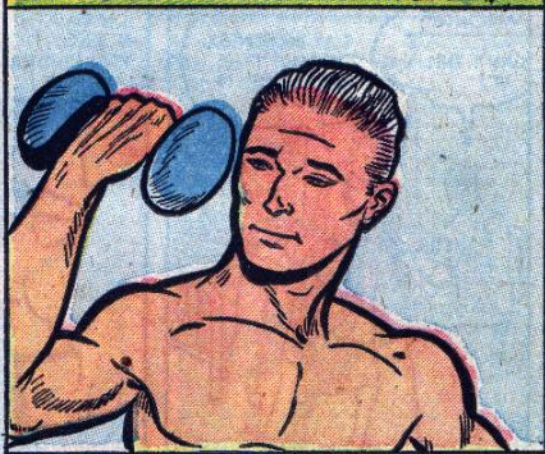


AND SO A NEW STUDENT JOINS MR. MUSCLES' PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT CLASSES!

AS THE CARETAKER EXERCISES, HIS FIGURE GRADUALLY STRAIGHTENS...



FIRM MUSCLES REPLACE SCRAWNY LIMBS!

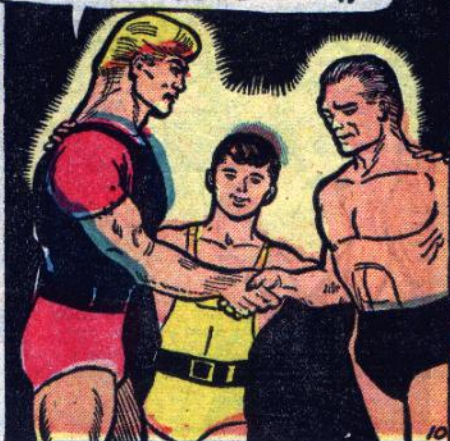


AND THEN, ONE DAY...

FROM NOW ON, YOU'RE ON YOUR OWN!

THERE..THERE'S SOMETHING I'D LIKE TO SAY, SIR..

DON'T BOTHER! I KNOW YOU'RE A DIFFERENT MAN! A HEALTHY PHYSIQUE BREEDS A HEALTHY MIND!! GOOD LUCK!!



Now! The Amazing Facts about BALDNESS

...AND WHAT YOU CAN DO ABOUT IT



The following facts are brought to the attention of the public because of a widespread belief that nothing can be done about hair loss. This belief has no basis in medical fact. Worse, it has condemned many men and women to needless baldness by their neglect to treat certain accepted causes of hair loss.

There are six principal types of hair loss, or *alopecia*, as it is known in medical terms:

1. Alopecia from diseases of the scalp
2. Alopecia from other diseases or from an improper functioning of the body
3. Alopecia of the aged (senile baldness)
4. Alopecia areata (loss of hair in patches)
5. Alopecia of the young (premature baldness)
6. Alopecia at birth (congenital baldness)

Senile, premature and congenital alopecia cannot be helped by anything now known to modern science. Alopecia from improper functioning of the body requires the advice and treatment of your family physician.

BUT MANY MEDICAL AUTHORITIES NOW BELIEVE A SPECIFIC SCALP DISEASE IS THE MOST COMMON CAUSE OF HAIR LOSS.

This disease is called *Seborrhea* and can be broadly classified into two clinical forms with the following symptoms:

1. DRY SEBORRHEA: The hair is dry, lifeless, and without gloss. A dry flaky dandruff is usually present with accompanying itching. Hair loss is considerable and increases with the progress of this disease.

2. OILY SEBORRHEA: The hair and scalp are oily and greasy. The hair is slightly sticky to the touch and has a tendency to mat together. Dandruff takes the form of head scales. Scalp is usually itchy. Hair loss is severe with baldness as the end result.

Many doctors agree that to NEGLECT these symptoms of DRY and OILY SEBORRHEA is to INVITE BALDNESS.

Seborrhea is believed to be caused by three germ organisms — *staphylococcus albus*, *pitryosporum ovale*, and *acnes bacillus*.

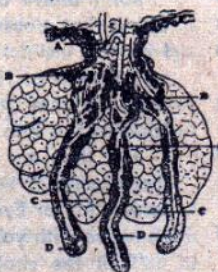
These germs attack the sebaceous gland causing an abnormal working of this fat gland. The hair follicle, completely surrounded by the enlarged diseased sebaceous gland, then begins to atrophy. The hair produced becomes smaller and smaller until the hair follicle dies. Baldness is the inevitable result. (See illustration.)

But seborrhea can be controlled, particularly in its early stages. The three germ organisms believed to cause seborrhea, can and should be eliminated before they destroy your normal hair growth.

A post-war development, Comate Medicinal Formula kills these three germ organisms on contact. Proof of Comate's germ-killing properties has been demonstrated in laboratory tests recently conducted by one of the leading testing laboratories in America. (Complete report on file and copies are available on request.)

When used as directed, Comate Medicinal Formula controls seborrhea—stimulates the flow of blood to the scalp—helps stop scalp itch and burn—improves the appearance of your hair and scalp—helps STOP HAIR LOSS due to seborrhea. Your hair looks more attractive, and alive.

You may safely follow the example of thousands who first were skeptical, then curious, and finally decided to avail themselves of Comate Medicinal Formula.



**DESTRUCTION OF HAIR FOLLICLES
Caused By Seborrhea**

A — Dead hairs; B — Hair-destroying bacteria; C — Hypertrophied sebaceous glands; D — Atrophic follicles.

A Few of the Many Grateful Expressions By Users of Comate Medicinal Formula

"My hair was coming out for years and I tried everything. Nothing stopped it until I tried Comate. Now my hair has stopped coming out. It looks so much thicker. My friends have noticed my hair and they all say it looks so much better."
—Mrs. R.E.J., Stevenson, Ala.

"Your hair formula got rid of my dandruff; my head does not itch any more. I think it is the best of all of the formulas I have used."
—E.E., Hamilton, Ohio.

"Your formula is everything you claim it to be and the first 10 days trial freed me of a very bad case of dry seborrhea."
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"I do want to say that just within five days I have obtained a great improvement in my hair. I do want to thank you and the Comate Laboratories for producing such a wonderful and amazing formula."
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—L.W.W., Galveston, Tex.

"This formula is everything I need more than you say it is. I am very happy with what it's doing for my hair."
—T.J., Las Cruces, New Mexico

"I find it stops the itch and retards the hair fall. I am thankful for the help it has given me in regard to the terrible itching."
—R.B.L., Philadelphia, Pa.

"The bottle of Comate I got from you has done my hair so much good. My hair has been coming out and breaking off for about 21 years. It has improved so much."
—Mrs. J.E., Lisbon, Ga.

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THE MUSCULAR VOICE

The minute "Musclebound" Lupo walked into my office, I got sick to my stomach. I didn't have to be a mind reader to know there was trouble in the air. All I had to do was look at the big ape's kisser. The poor jerk was in love.

All the signs were there. The sappy, heavenly grin. The blushes. I'd been through this type of crisis before, and probably would be through it again.

But I played it very innocent-like.

"I'm gonna git married," Lupo announced.

It was downright unbecomin' the way he giggled and blushed — him, the guy I tried to sell to the public as the world's most ferocious bone-twistin' terror of the wrestling mat!

Lupo has a heart as soft, as his head is hard. A dame would ruin him. Instead of keeping his mind on twisting his opponent into figures-of-eight, he'd be thinkin' about hurryin' home to his darling hunk of sweetness to break his teeth on the hardest biscuits this side of a cement-mixer.

No, marriage was not for Lupo. Not as long as I remained his manager! And I definitely intended to remain his manager! When I picked him up, he was nothing! Of course, he was still nothing, but one of these days, he'd actually win a wrestling match, then he and I would be on the road to easy street!

"I said I'm gonna git married," said Lupo. A surprised, hurt note came into his gravel-voice. "Ain'tcha gonna congratulate me, Nails?"

I don't know why they call me Nails, 'cause I'm actually the softest-hearted guy on earth except when it comes to money, clothes, rent, blood donations, etc.

"Congratulations, kid," I said, trying hard to sound like I really meant it. "You don't know what this news does to me!" And I wasn't kiddin'!

"I want you should meet the little angel who is gonna become Mrs. "Musclebound" Lupo," said Lupo. "You will be crazy about her, just

like I am crazy about her. And I am very crazy about her, Nails, my pal I am CRAZY... about HER!"

He was crazy, all right. I knew it the second he brought the prize package in.

She was a quiet, mousy little thing, with skinny arms and legs, and big round eyes. Her hair was real messy. She had an expression on her face — (FACE?) — that I can only describe as very, very sad. She looked miserable. Like somebody owed her money, or something.

But Lupo, he looked at her like she was a Miss America.

"This is Helen?" I couldn't help asking.

"Helen. Helen Purnoutsky. Isn't she a living doll?"

"She is a living something," I admitted.

Lupo smiled, happy that I approved.

But I didn't approve. There was something about that mousy little dame, that I didn't like. I got an instinct when it comes to dames, and as I looked at Helen what's-her-name, it came over me real strong-like that I had to save Lupo from a fate worse than marriage.

Just then my desk-phone rang. I picked up the phone. It was my receptionist Rosie. She said, "Mirror-Eyes is here. He would like to converse with you."

"Tell the chap I will be right out," I told Rosie. If my voice sounded more excited than usual, it was because I was more excited than usual. I had gotten an idea. Providence had sent Mirror-Eyes around just in time, and I was going to make the most of it!

I quickly scooted out into the outer office, and before Mirror-Eyes could demand the ten-spot I'd owed him for six months, I shot the proposition to him.

At first he was dubious.

"They couldn't send me to Alcatraz for it, could they?" he asked.

"They'd give you a medal, instead!"

"They can keep the medal. Will you pay me the ten-spot you owe me, and toss in an-

other ten?"

"I will do that, Mirror-Eyes."

"In advance?"

I paid him. All hypnotists are alike, money-mad.

Mirror-Eyes followed me back into the inner office, and I introduced him to Helen and "Musclebound". The fella lived up to his name. His eyes got real mirror-like, and in one second flat he had them both in a deep hypnotic trance.

"Remember," said Mirror-Eyes. "When you want they should come out of the trance, say 'Salami'."

I grabbed my phone, and dialed. A voice answered. "This is an emergency, Eddie," I said. "I want to use your home for an hour or two. Okay?"

Eddie said it was all right with him.

I called in Phil and Moe to help. We lugged Lupo and Helen to my car. We drove to Eddie's house. We carried Lupo and Helen in, put them in chairs. Moe and Phil cleared out, leaving me alone with Lupo and his girl — (GIRL?) — friend.

I girded myself for the crisis. "Nails," I told myself, "you can't afford a slip-up! You've got to do this or your creditors. But mostly, you've got to do it for yourself, on account of coffee and doughnuts don't come for free!"

Then I said out loud, "SALAMI!"

Helen opened her peepers first. "What happened?" she asked.

"Both of you passed out," I said as Musclebound's eyes opened, too. "It must have been something you ate."

"Ate?" asked Musclebound. "Who ate?"

"You, Helen and me, at the restaurant," I said. "Everything was going great, when both of you took sick. I took you to your home in a cab."

"OUR home?" chorused Musclebound and his fiancée.

"Sure, your home! Who else's?"

"But we're not even married!" exclaimed Helen.

"Not married? You two? You've been married for FIVE YEARS!"

They gasped. "Five years?" exclaimed Helen. "I don't remember a day of it!"

"Me either," confessed Musclebound.

"Amnesia!" I said. "You're both suffering from amnesia! It MUST have been something you ate!"

"Isn't that something!" exclaimed Helen.

"Me married, and I don't even remember! Me, who never thought she'd land a fish!"

"FISH?" exclaimed Musclebound.

"Just joking," giggled Helen, but from the way her voice shook, and her eyes darted from side to side, it was obviously she was kidding only Helen.

"Say, Musclebound," I said. "You an' me, we got to git goin' right away! You're wrestlin' tonight. Big bout. An important bout!"

Musclebound started getting up from his chair. I caught the expression on little Helen's face and I knew right then and there that my little scheme was about to pay off!

"SIT DOWN, YOU BIG OAF," she yelled to Musclebound.

What a voice! A voice with muscles! You think Caruso had a voice? You think tobacco auctioneer's got tonsils? You think hog-callers got lung-power?

This dame had 'em all beat!

"SIT DOWN, YOU!" yells the gal.

"But, honey. I gotta go an' wrestle," pleads Musclebound.

"STAY HERE!"

"But —"

"I said STAY HERE!" The long skinny arm snaked out, and a long skinny finger shook itself in Musclebound's twitching face. "YOU ARE MARRIED TO ME, SEE? And what I say GOES! I say you stay home and keep me company . . . and you STAY HOME and keep me company!"

"But —"

"I'M YOUR WIFE!"

"My wife," groans Musclebound. "If only I'd of known what I was getting into!" He whirled on me. "Nails, why didn't you warn me?"

I stood up. This was my big moment.

"As a matter of fact," I said, "you two AREN'T married!"

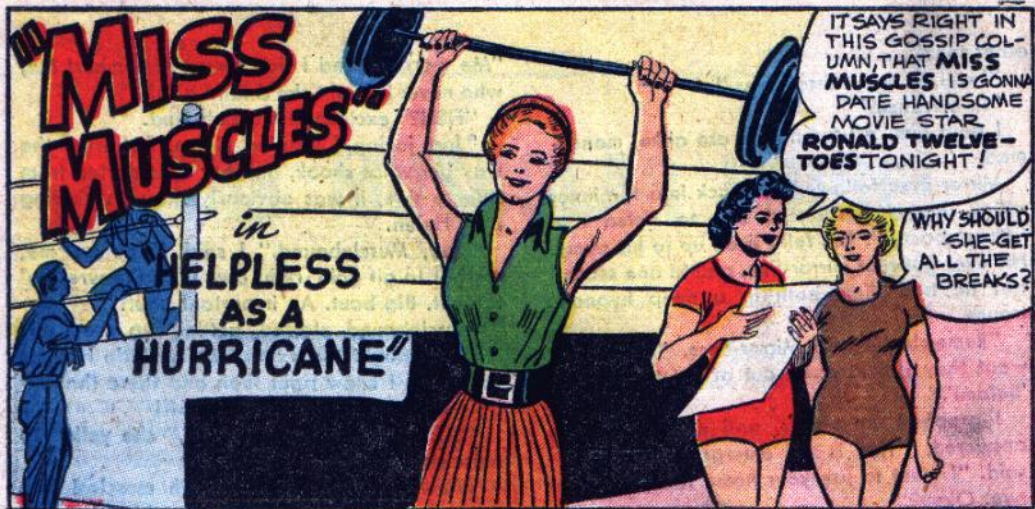
And as they gasped at me, I told them everything.

Next thing, Musclebound and I were running outta that place for dear life, ducking chairs, lamps, ash-trays, sofas, etc.

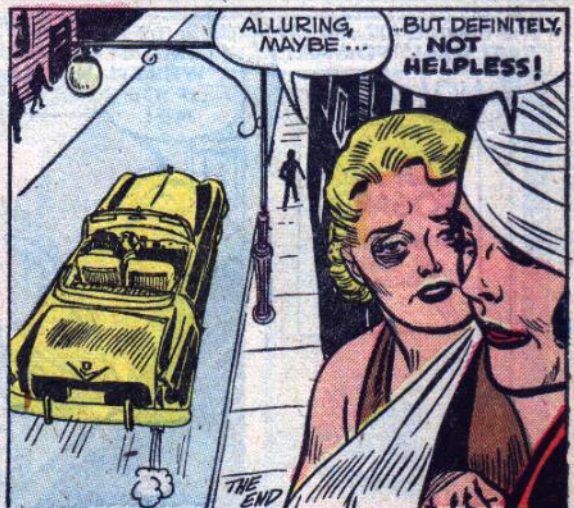
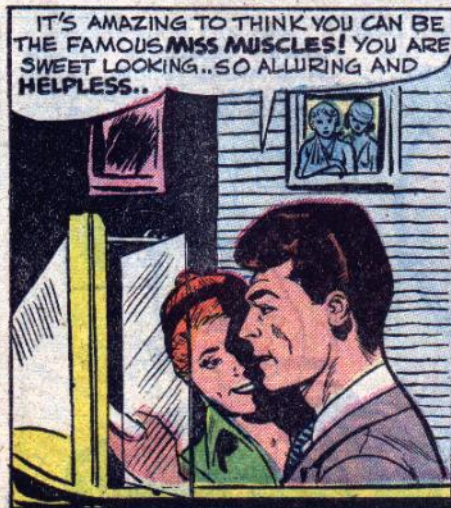
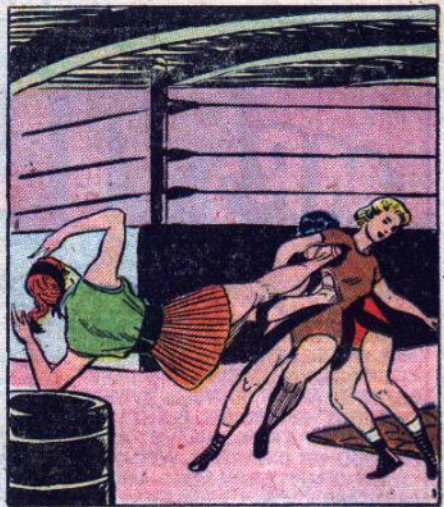
As a lamp shattered against his head, Musclebound yelled to me, "Good old Nails! You have saved me again!"

"Anytime," I yelled, as a long-play record crashed against my chin. "You can always count on your true-blue pal Nails!"

MR. MUSCLES



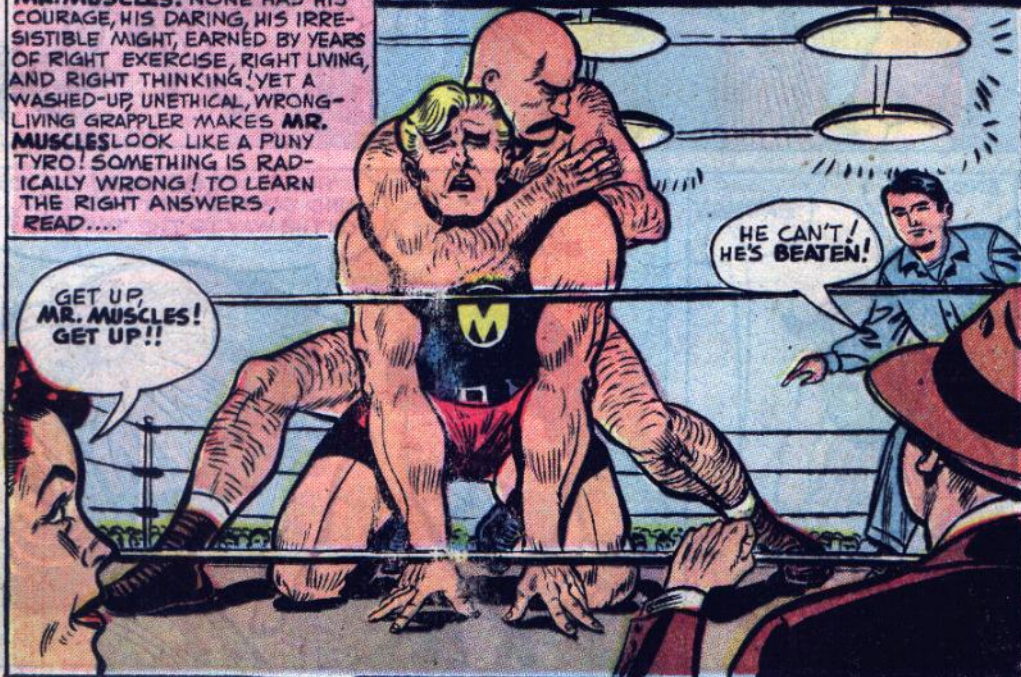
MR. MUSCLES



MR. MUSCLES

in "THE FRAME UP!"

NO OTHER IS AS STRONG AS MR. MUSCLES! NONE HAS HIS COURAGE, HIS DARING, HIS IRRESISTIBLE MIGHT, EARNED BY YEARS OF RIGHT EXERCISE, RIGHT LIVING, AND RIGHT THINKING! YET A WASHED-UP, UNETHICAL, WRONG-LIVING GRAPPLER MAKES MR. MUSCLES LOOK LIKE A PUNY TYRO! SOMETHING IS RADICALLY WRONG! TO LEARN THE RIGHT ANSWERS, READ....



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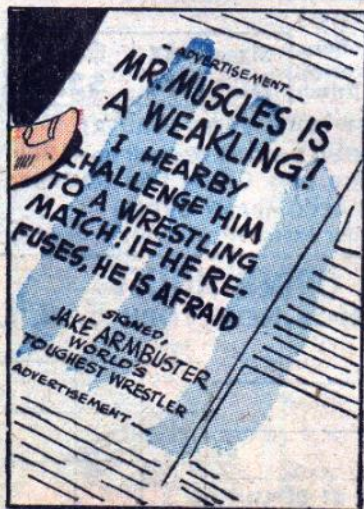
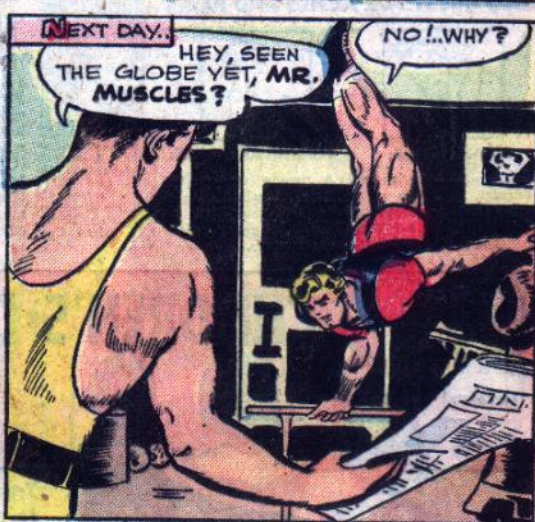
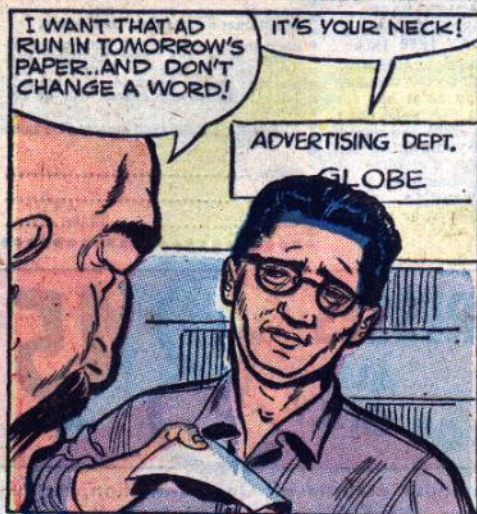
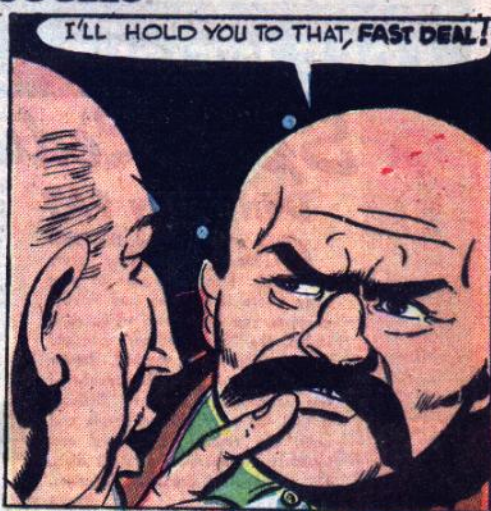
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IT'S NOT TRUE, "FAST DEAL"! I'M NOT FINISHED IN THE WRESTLING RACKET... IF YOU BOOK ME!

WHY KID YOURSELF, JAKE? NOBODY WANTS JAKE ARMBUSTER.... JUST AS MUCH AS EVERYBODY WANTS MR. MUSCLES!



MR. MUSCLES



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SHUT UP, HALF-PINT!

I WAS GOING TO IGNORE YOUR BID FOR PUBLICITY, ARM-BUSTER, BUT I'VE SUDDENLY DECIDED TO ACCEPT YOUR CHALLENGE!

THAT'S GREAT ... SHAKE!!

GIANT MITTS CLASP! JAKE SEEKS TO FORCE MR. MUSCLES' ARM TO ONE SIDE.. AND THE BATTLE OF TITANS IS ON!



YOUR ARM IS BEGINNING TO TREMBLE!! CAN'T TAKE IT! EH!!

WISHFUL THINKING!!

MR. MUSCLES' BICEP SWELLS AND CORDS LIKE INFLATING STEEL!



WANNA PLAY ANYMORE GAMES? HA..HA..!

YOU CAUGHT ME OFF GUARD! BUT YOU WON'T BE LAUGHIN' WHEN I SMEAR YOU IN THE RING!

MR. MUSCLES HAS AGREED TO BATTLE YOU? TOO BAD YOU HAVEN'T THE GHOST OF A CHANCE TO WIN!

I GOT SOME SMART ANGLES COOKIN', FAST DEAL! I CAN'T LOSE!!

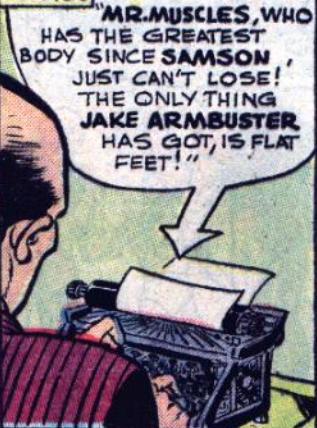


MR. MUSCLES

THE UP-COMING MATCH BETWEEN UNIVERSALLY BE-LOVED **MR. MUSCLES**... AND UNIVERSALLY DESPISED **JAKE ARMBUSTER**... BECOMES THE SENSATION OF THE NATION

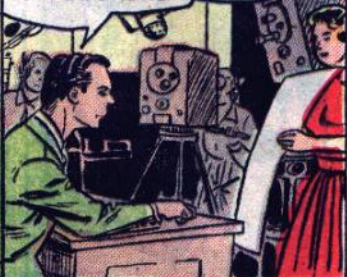


DON PARKYER, WIDELY READ SYNDICATED SPORTS SCRIBE WRITES!



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I CONFIDENTLY PREDICT THAT **MR. MUSCLES** HAS ALL THE KIDS OF AMERICA ON HIS SIDE, AND ONLY A COWARD, WHICH **MR. MUSCLES** IS NOT... WOULD DISAPPOINT HIS WORSHIPFUL FOLLOWERS!



THE CONTROVERSY WAXES SO HOT THAT WAR FLARES UP BETWEEN TWO SMALL SOUTH AMERICAN REPUBLICS!



AND ACROSS THE WAVES, IN JOLLY OLD KINGLAND, **GEORGE BERNARD O'PSHAW**.. INDIVIDUALIST EXTRAORDINARY, IS AS ACERBIC AS EVER..



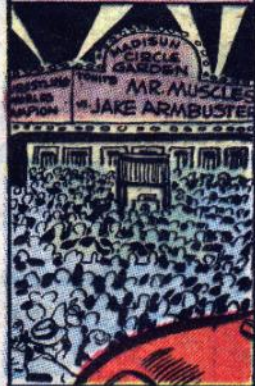
AND AS THE GREAT DAY NEARS...

(PUFF!) HOW ABOUT A TEN-MINUTE BREAK? MAKE IT FIVE, AND IT'S A DEAL!



MR. MUSCLES

THE NIGHT OF THE MATCH! HUNDREDS OF POLICE CONTROL MOBS CROWDING INTO MADISON CIRCLE GARDENS!



NO HARD FEELINGS, CHUMP? NO HARD FEELINGS!



UNEXPECTEDLY A SPOTLIGHT FALLS!



MR. MUSCLES! LOOK OUT!

SPEAK TO ME! ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?

WOOLY.. TCH! BUT IN TCH!! TACT! DID THE BIG MUSCLE-MAN HURT IS ITTY BITTY HEAD?



WHEW! A FEW INCHES OVER, AND I'D HAVE BEEN THE ONE TO BE CONKED!

A PITY IT WASN'T YOU! IT MIGHT HAVE KNOCKED SOME HUMILITY IN THAT CONCEITED HEAD OF YOURS!



HERE, DRINK THIS SODA! THANKS! IT'LL MAKE YOU FEEL BETTER!



NOW YOU'VE GOT A GOOD EXCUSE TO CRAWL OFF ON THAT YELLOW BELLY OF YOURS.. AND ESCAPE BEING BEATEN BY A BETTER MAN!



I'M NOT QUITTING! THE FIGHT WILL GO ON!



MR. MUSCLES

THE AUDIENCE, UNAWARE OF THE DRAMATIC COMPLICATION, CHEERS AS THE TWO COMBATANTS ENTER THE RING



PLEASE DON'T FIGHT! YOU SHOULD BE IN THE HOSPITAL, NOT THE WRESTLING RING!

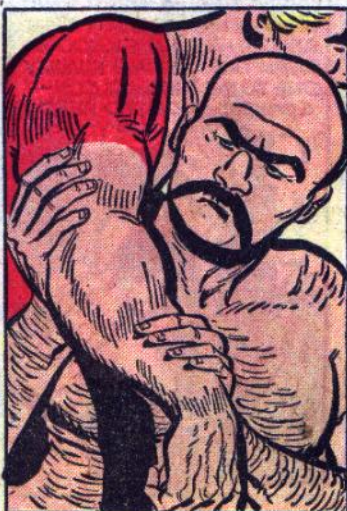
I CAN'T LET THE KIDS OF AMERICA DOWN!



HE CAN HARDLY STAND UP! (CHUCKLE!) I'LL SLAUGHTER 'IM!



THERE GOES THE BELL! MR. MUSCLES STAGGERS TO THE CENTER! JAKE CHARGES IN FOR THE KILL!

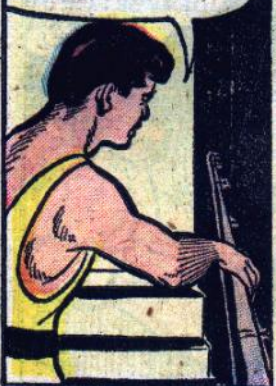


ENJOYING HIS TRIUMPH... JAKE SLAMS MR. MUSCLES TO THE RING FLOOR AGAIN AND AGAIN...



MR. MUSCLES

G-CAN'T STAND SEE-
ING MR. MUSCLES ABSORB-
ING ALL THAT PUNISH-
MENT.. WHY DOESN'T
THE REF STOP IT?



THE CONCESSIONAIRE WHO
GAVE MR. MUSCLES THAT DRINK
OF SODA! WHY IS HE ACTING SO
SNEAKY?



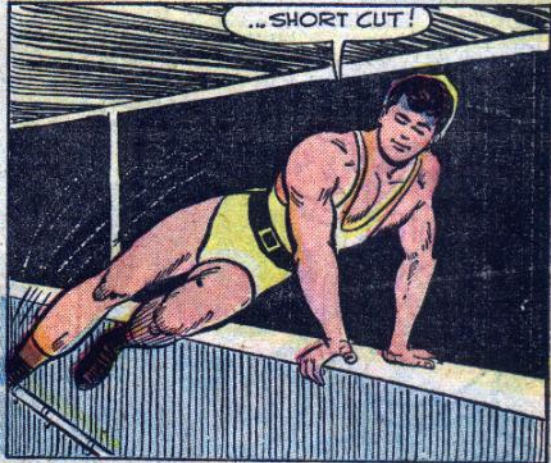
IT'S AN EMPTY SODA
BOTTLE! WHAT
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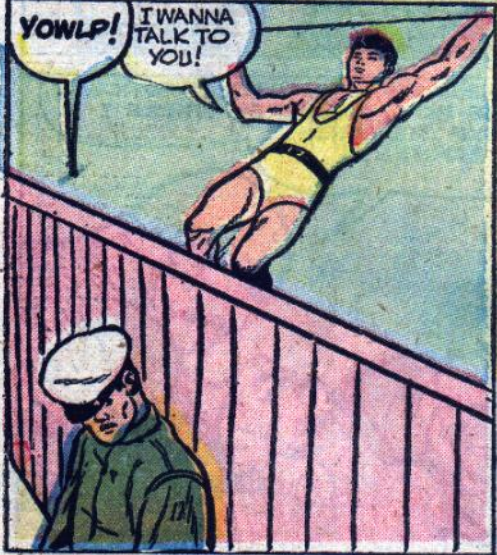
THAT KID'S AFTER ME! I DON'T
WANT TO TANGLE WITH HIS BULGING
MUSCLES!



...SHORT CUT!



YOWLP! I WANNA
TALK TO
YOU!

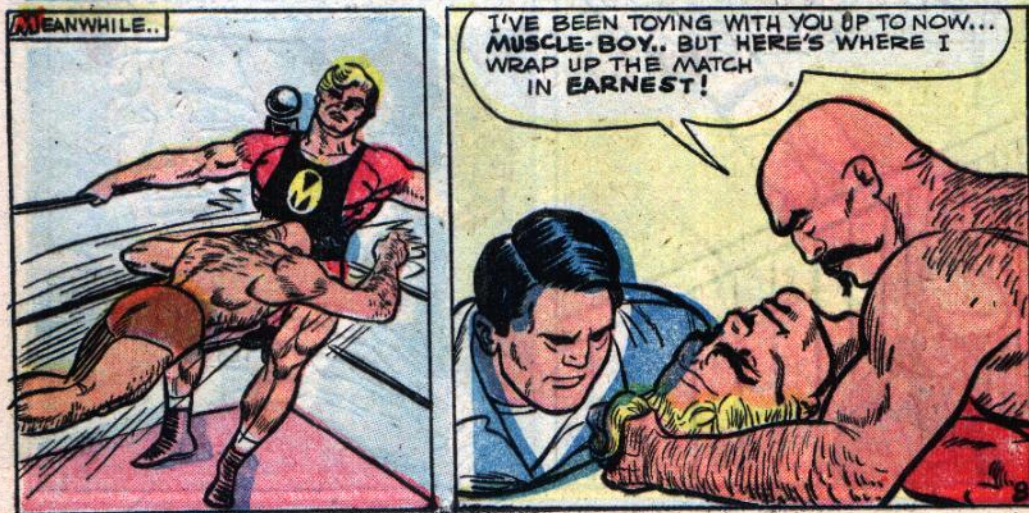
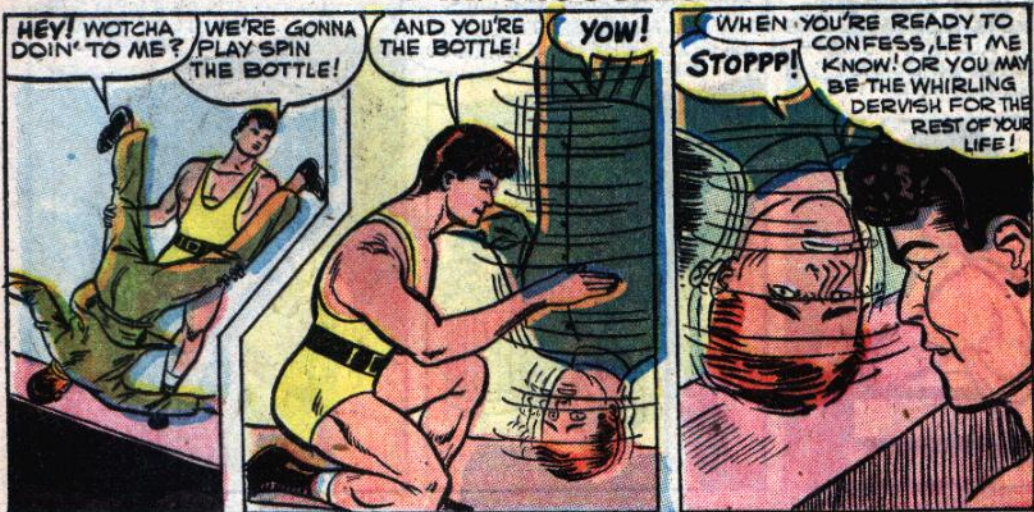


YOU FIXED
MR. MUSCLES,
DIDN'T YOU?

I DUNNO WHAT YOU'RE TALK-
ING ABOUT, YOU CRAZY KID!
TAKE YOUR HANDS
OFF ME!!



MR. MUSCLES

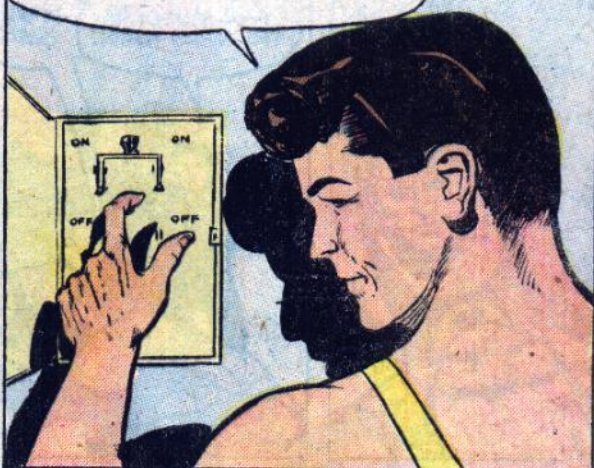


MR. MUSCLES

I READ SOMEWHERE THAT THE EFFECTS WILL WEAR OFF IN A FEW MINUTES! WHAT MR. MUSCLES DESPERATELY NEEDS IS TIME!



...AND I AIM TO GIVE IT TO HIM!



SUDDENLY, EVER LIGHT IN MADI-SUN CIRCLE GARDENS GOES OUT!

HEY! WHAT HAPPENED TO THE LIGHTS?

TURN 'EM ON!

QUICKLY, KID MUSCLES GROPPES THROUGH THE DARK TO MR. MUSCLES' SIDE, IN THE RING.

YOU WERE FRAMED, MR. MUSCLES! THIS IS WHAT HAPPENED...

GO ON...



MINUTES ELAPSE BEFORE THE LIGHTS RESUME...

HERE COMES YOUR FINISH, MUSCLE-BOY!

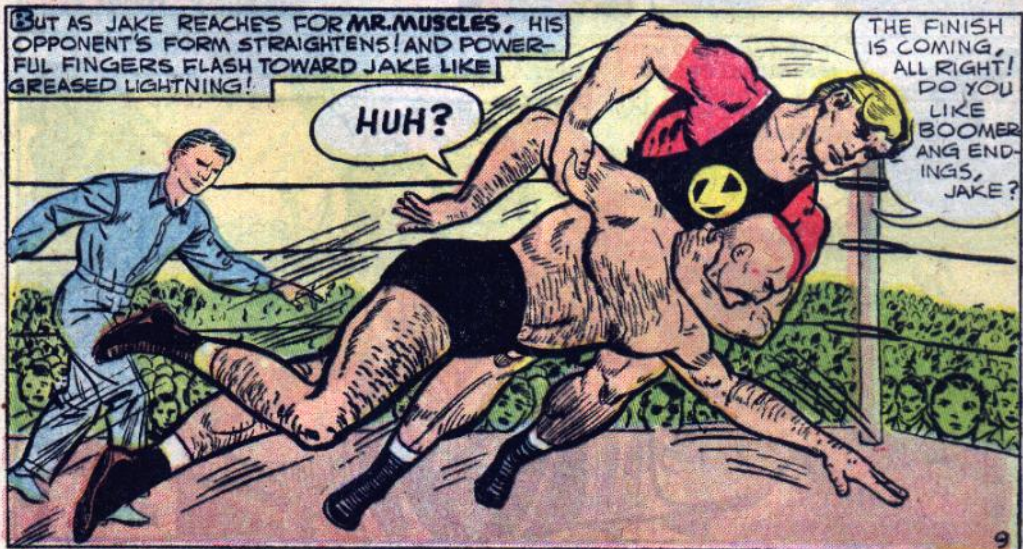
MY HEAD ...I...



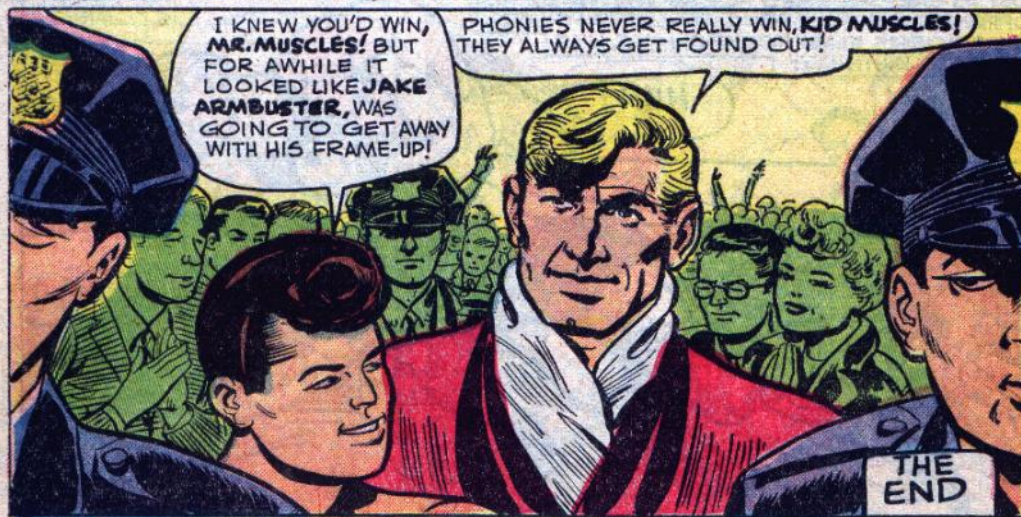
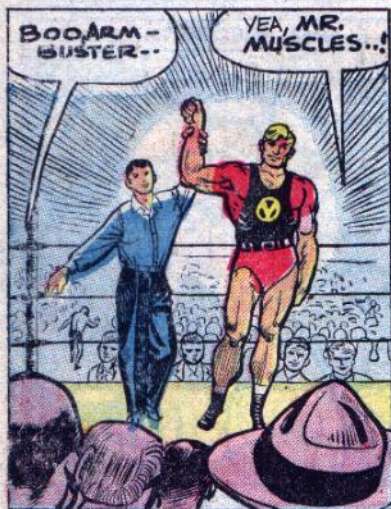
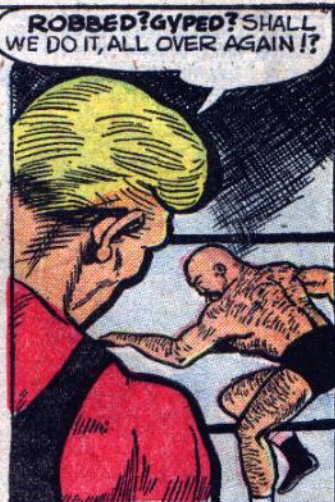
BUT AS JAKE REACHES FOR MR. MUSCLES, HIS OPPONENT'S FORM STRAIGHTENS! AND POWERFUL FINGERS FLASH TOWARD JAKE LIKE GREASED LIGHTNING!

HUH?

THE FINISH IS COMING, ALL RIGHT! DO YOU LIKE BOOMER ANG ENDINGS, JAKE?

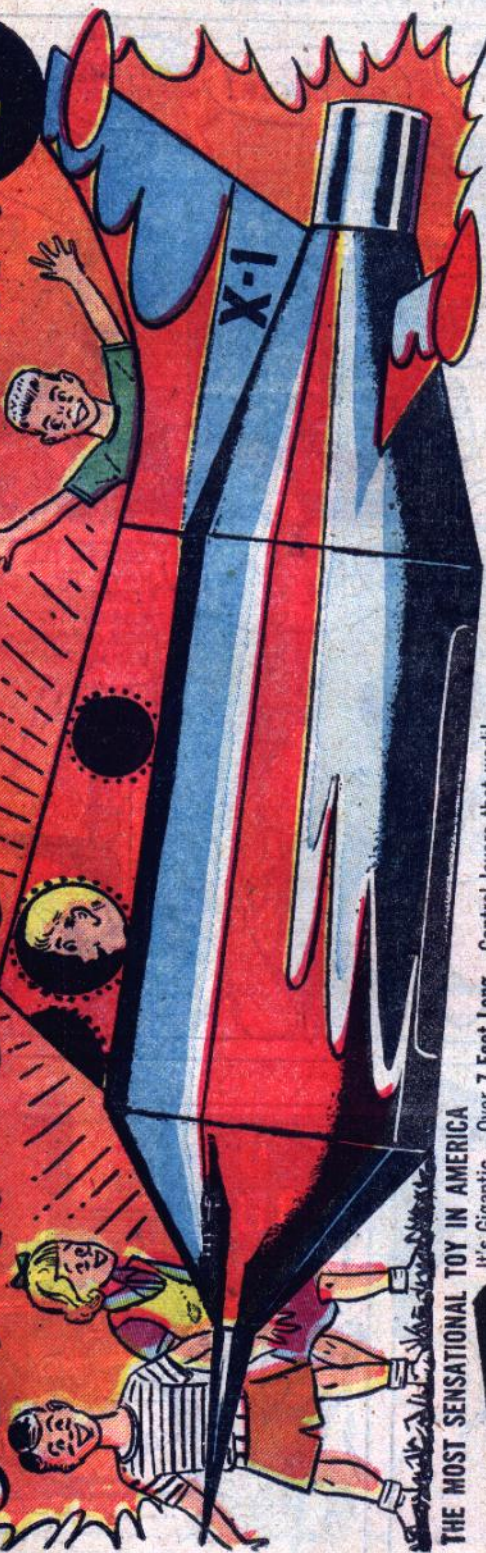


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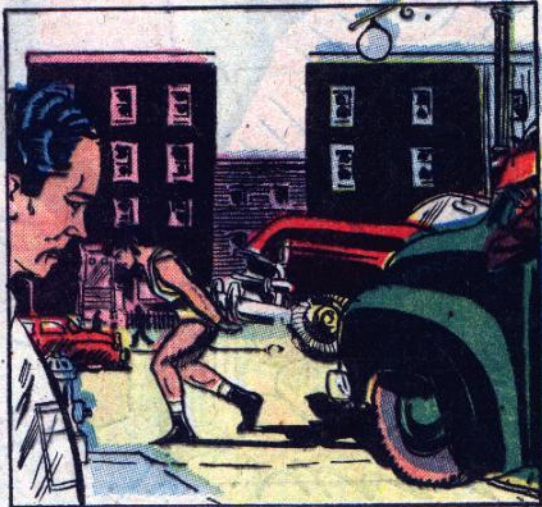
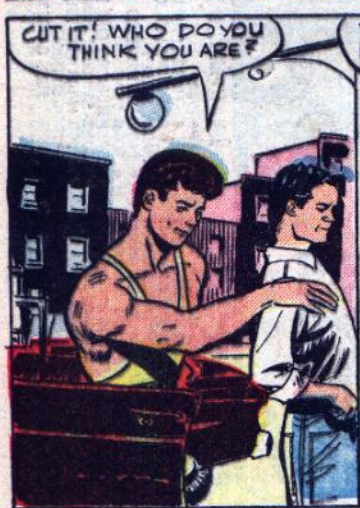
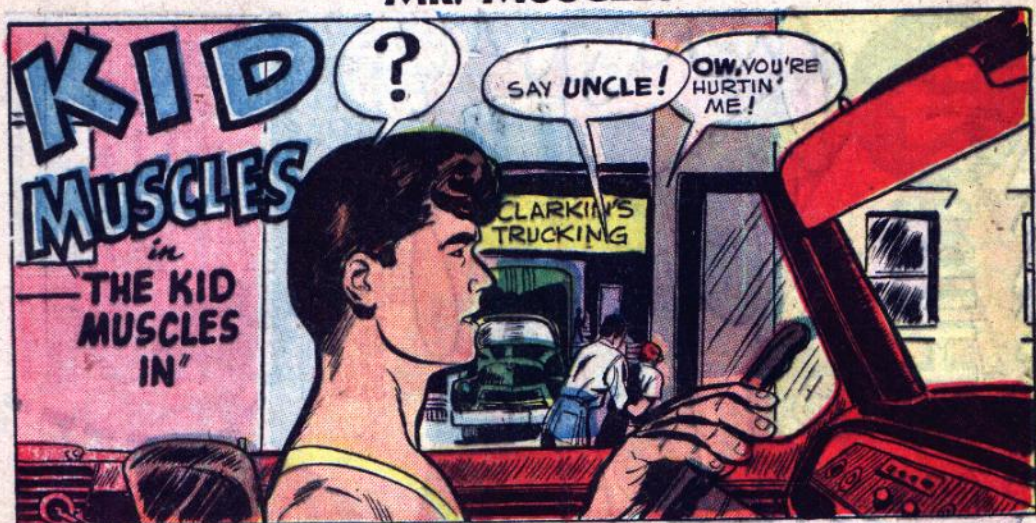
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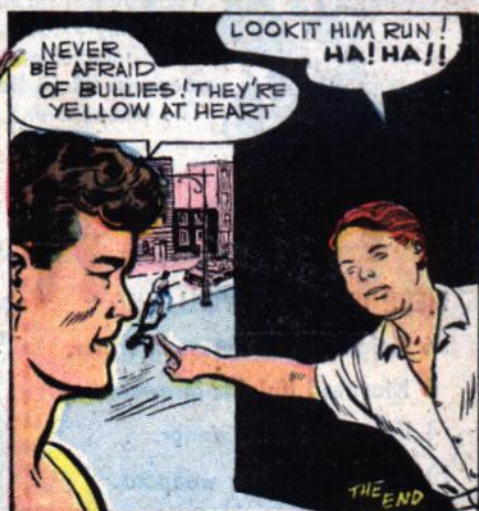
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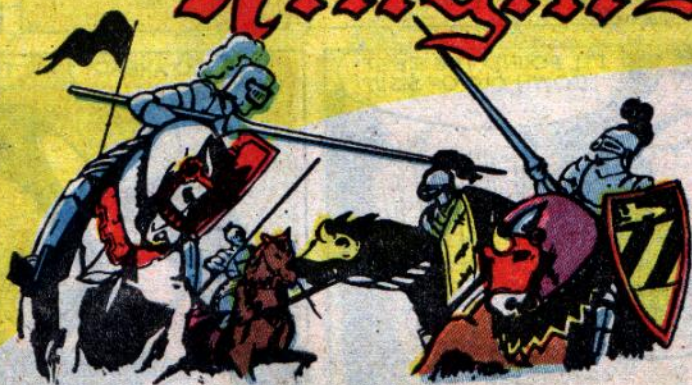


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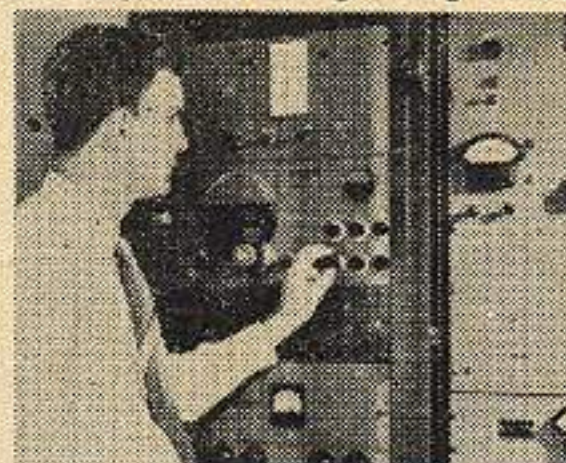
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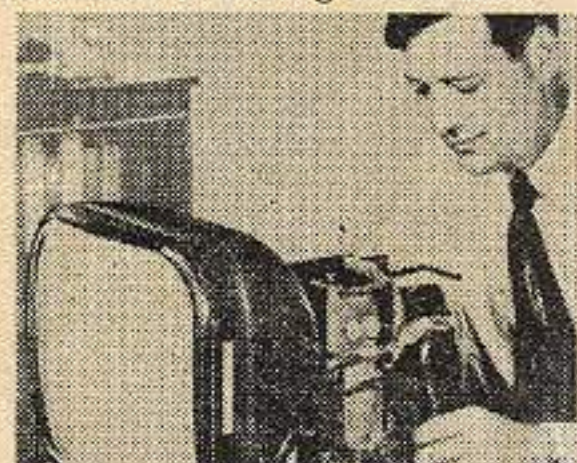
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POCKET WATCH



GIRLS' SHOULDER-
STRAP BAG



SPORTS
EQUIPMENT



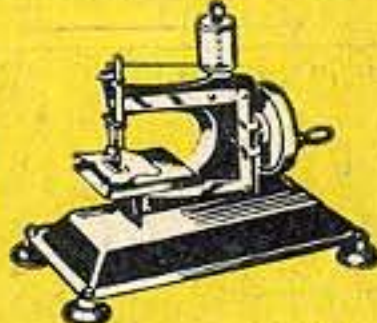
ROLLER
SKATES



JET ENGINE
PLANE FLIES
500 FEET!



TABLE TENNIS SET



SEWING MACHINE



ARCHERY SET



VANITY SET



PRESSURE
COOKER



JEWELRY
SET



WOODBURNING SET



WALKING
DOLL



BOYS' OR GIRLS'
BICYCLE



UKELELE
WITH ARTHUR
GODFREY PLAYER



TYPEWRITER



WHITE ZIPPER
BIBLE



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SET FOR SCOUTS

MEN-WOMEN-BOYS-GIRLS

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